

**WORLD TRADE CENTER**

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Mr. Jan Beringer  
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Dear Mr. Beringer:

The following is in response to your request as to whether asbestos was contained in the various materials used to fireproof the structural steel and decking above the ceiling level on the 32th floor of One World Trade Center.

Extensive sampling and testing has been performed on these materials used to fireproof the structural steel and decking above the ceiling level on the floors of The World Trade Center. All sampling of fireproofing material was conducted in accordance with procedures outlined in the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) publication, "Guidance for Controlling Asbestos Containing Material in Buildings". The testing of these samples was conducted at the laboratory of the Port Authority Asbestos Management Division which is a participant in the USEPA Bulk Asbestos Sample Quality Assurance Program.

The results of the tests, in accordance with applicable guidelines are as follows:

FLOOR	SAMPLES	NO. OF SAMPLES POSITIVE FOR ASBESTOS CONTAINING MATERIALS	% OF ASBESTOS IN EACH POSITIVE SAMPLES
Floor 32 (Cols. 134 - 143)	3	-0-	-0-

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As in most tenant spaces in the World Trade Center, your leasehold area may contain vinyl asbestos floor tiles which were installed during the initial construction of the World Trade Center. These tiles are probably in good condition and as you know, if not disturbed, are safe.

Port Authority staff is available to review with you and your representatives the sampling and testing that was employed, the methodology used to analyze the test results, the detailed results of the tests of each sample and the location on the floor from which each sample was obtained.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Frank Boyce".

Frank Boyce

WTC Asbestos Program Coordinator

cc: R. Lillis

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